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#### **A RESOLUTION**

TO ENCOURAGE THE UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION, THE OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS, THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS, AND THE LSU A & M FACULTY TO CREATE A MORE STRINGENT, UNIFORM STANDARD OF ADMISSION FOR ENTERING STUDENTS.

**PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, THE TOPS PROGRAM, RECENTLY CREATED BY THE

LOUISIANA STATE LEGISLATURE, WILL EXACERBATE THE

ALREADY INCREASING NUMBER OF APPLICANTS AND

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT BODY, AND

**PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, THE ADMISSIONS DATA OF 1995-97 SHOW THAT

ADMISSION PROCEDURES AND ACCEPTANCE RATES ARE LARGELY ARBITRARY, AND STUDENTS WITH LOW GPAS AND LOW ACT SCORES ARE OFTEN ACCEPTED WHILE STUDENTS WITH HIGH GPAS AND HIGH ACT SCORES ARE OFTEN DENIED ADMISSIONS,

AND

PARAGRAPH 3: WHEREAS, LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND AGRICULTURAL

AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE, AS THE LARGEST AND MOST

PRESTIGIOUS STATE COLLEGE IN LOUISIANA, MUST ENSURE THE

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY OF ITS DEGREES AWARDED TO PAST,

PRESENT, AND FUTURE GRADUATES, AND

PARAGRAPH 4: WHEREAS, MORE STRINGENT ADMISSIONS STANDARDS WOULD

ELEVATE THE LEVEL OF SCHOLASTIC ABILITY OF THE STUDENT

BODY, AND

**PARAGRAPH 5:** WHEREAS, THE EFFECTS OF MORE STRINGENT ADMISSIONS

STANDARDS WOULD INCREASE RESPECT FOR LSU A & M, AND

**PARAGRAPH 6:** Whereas, more stringent admissions standards at LSU A

& M, THE FLAGSHIP UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA,

WOULD HAVE A SYSTEMIC EFFECT ON EDUCATION BY

ENCOURAGING INCREASED SCHOLARSHIP AMONG HIGH SCHOOL

STUDENTS, AND

**PARAGRAPH 7:** Whereas, the implementation of more stringent

ADMISSIONS STANDARDS WOULD ADDRESS PROBLEMS THAT MAY

ARISE FROM THE ANTICIPATED INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF

APPLICANTS TO LSU A & M BY ENSURING THAT ONLY THE MOST QUALIFIED APPLICANTS ARE OFFERED ADMISSION.

#### **PARAGRAPH 8:**

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LSU A & M STUDENT SENATE ENCOURAGES THE UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION, THE OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS, THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS, AND THE LSU A & M FACULTY TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MORE STRINGENT ADMISSION STANDARDS FOR ENTERING STUDENTS.